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RE: Docket No. 00D-0053

Dear Sir or Madam:

Alliance Medical Corporation respectfully submits the following comments in response to the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) draft guidance documents entitled "reprocessing and Reuse of Single-Use Devices: Review Prioritization Scheme;" and "Enforcement Priorities for Single-Use Devices Reprocessed by Third Parties and Hospitals" – [65 Fed Reg. 7,027 (Feb 11, 2000); hereafter, "draft guidance documents"]. Alliance Medical Corporation is a Phoenix, Arizona-based Third Party Reprocessor of medical devices labeled for single use, who is registered with the FDA. In addition, Alliance is a founding member of the Association of Medical Device Reprocessors (AMDR). Alliance believes that it is the second largest company doing reprocessing in the United States.

Alliance is pleased to have the opportunity to provide comments on FDA's draft guidance documents. Alliance supports totally the comments of AMDR, and the Agency should consider the following remarks as additional information and/or further clarification of various issues.

Reprocessing and Reuse of Single-Use Devices: Review Prioritization Scheme

Page 2

In paragraph 2, FDA says, "FDA anticipates using the RPS in the future in response to requests from the public on the category of a reprocessed SUD not listed on Appendix 2. Such requests should be directed, in writing, to the contact noted in the Preface. FDA will periodically publish a revised list of categorized devices based upon these requests."

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Comments:

First, Alliance is confused as to why FDA would consider future revisions to the RPS. The current draft document is intended to be a means of determining when FDA will begin enforcement of the requirement for premarket notification, following implementation of the Final Guidance Document. Once the Guidance Document has been implemented (i.e. published in the Federal Register), Alliance is not sure what value there is in revisiting the implementation schedule. Is it the Agency's intention to continue with selective enforcement into the future?

If the agency does decide to retain this concept of reviewing and revisiting the RPS, Alliance requests that FDA look at the following questions surrounding the above mentioned statement, and provide a clearer picture of the statement's wording.

- What does "anticipates" mean?
- "requests from the **public**" – Why the public? What protection does the third-party reprocessor have from the OEM? What about requests from the third-party and the hospitals?
- "periodically publish a revised list" – How often is "periodically"? What if a reprocessor or hospital is working on a submission of a device in the "moderate" category, and the "revised list" moves it to "high"?

Second, Appendix B (or 2) ["List of frequently reprocessed SUDs and their risk category according to the risk categorization scheme from the companion Risk Scheme guidance (attachment 2)"] shown in both documents has many inaccuracies. For example, a number of devices that are identified as High Risk should be regarded as Moderate or Low Risk, based on our efforts to use the algorithm to establish the risk level. Therefore, Alliance respectfully requests FDA to make public all worksheets used to establish device risk levels. Where we differ on the assessment, we would appreciate the opportunity to comment on those differences. Later in this document, Alliance will give specific illustrations of these problems and provide an alternative to creating the "Frequently Reprocessed SUDs" listing.

At the bottom of page 2: **"FDA will consider any SUD not on the current list or subsequently revised lists to be one that POSES A HIGH RISK if reprocessed."**

Comments:

As mentioned above, Alliance believes that a better source of information concerning products that are, or could be, reprocessed already exists. Specifically, the description of devices in Title 21, Part 800 of the Code of Federal Regulations, which includes the device classification, is available for download from CDRH. Therefore, Alliances respectfully requests FDA to amend the above-referenced statement to allow the device classification to stand. By doing so, FDA will be, in essence, calling for PMAs on Class III devices, and Premarket Notifications for Class II or Non-Exempt devices.

In Appendix B, which used both the Regulation Number and Product Code ("ProCode") information, there are numerous instances in which one or more errors exist, for example:

- The names of many of the devices in Appendix B do not match a device name in the CDRH data.
- Multiple device names having the same Regulation Number and same ProCode letters are use.

Example: Under Cardiovascular, "needle" and "trocar" (two separate entries) both have the same Regulation Number (870.1390) and the same ProCode (DRC). Both items are correctly shown as Class II and requiring 510(k). Yet a needle was given a risk category "High" and the trocar "Moderate".

From Alliance's positions in trying to comment, we can only tell the Agency that our company does not reprocess a used, ported trocar today because we do not currently know how to successfully clean it. In contrast, Alliance does reprocess a used "non-porting trocar". This is a device that looks like a big nail or spike; stainless, no ports, no hard to clean areas, etc. Alliance's risk assessment would be low risk.

What is the Agency's definition of a "needle"?

Example: Under Cardiovascular, "Electrophysiology recording catheter", the Regulation Number should be 870.1220, not "870.1120".

Example: Under Gastroenterology/Urology, "non-electric biopsy forceps" (876.1075) is Exempt (Y), Class I, as opposed to "N" and "II".

Example: Under OB-GYN, "laparoscopic dissectors", "laparoscopic graspers", "laparoscopic scissors", and "**trocar**" all have the same Regulation Number (884.1720) and the same ProCode (HET), yet the dissectors and trocar have a risk of "low," and the graspers and scissors have a risk of "high". The definition for Regulation Number 884.1720 is "Laparoscope, Gynecologic (and Accessories)".

Example: Under Surgery, "biopsy forceps" are shown as having a Regulation Number of "876.1075", Exempt ("N"), Class "II". As previously pointed out above, 876.1075 is also called "non-electric biopsy forceps" with the same incorrect information.

Example: Under Surgery, "endoscopes" (876.1500) has listed under ProCode "many". Alliance's search of the CDRH data indicates the following ProCodes:

EXZ, FAJ, FAK, FAL, FAM, FAN, FBI, FBK, FBN, FBO, FBP, FCC, FCO, FCP, FCQ, FCR, FCW, FCX, FCY, FCZ, FDA, FDC, FDE, FDF, FDP, FDR, FDS, FDT, FDW, FDX, FDY, FDZ, FEA, FEB, FEC, FED, FEI, FEJ, FEM, FEQ, FER, FET, FFS, FFY, FFZ, FGA, FGB, FGC, FGS, FHO, FHP, FHX, FJL, FTI, FTJ, FTK, GCF, GCG, GCH, GHI, GCK, GCL, GCM, GCN, GCO, GCP, GCQ, GCR, GCS, GCT, GCW, GDB, KDM, KDO, KGD, KOG, MNK, MNL

Attached, as Exhibit "A" to this document is Alliance's listing of "Most Frequently Reprocessed Devices", using the total CDRH database. As is the case with endoscopes, only those ProCodes which Alliance currently or may soon reprocess have been included.

Important Point: Just as not all ProCodes will be items that can or should be reprocessed, neither will all ProCodes have the same risk assessment. And in fact, as pointed out in the AMDR Comments and in Alliance's first comment above, there appears to be a need for further discussion and interpretation of the questions used by the Agency in its initial attempt at setting risk.

Page 3 – Scope

At the bottom of the page, FDA says, "In the near future, FDA intends to examine whether it should include other establishments that may reprocess SUDs."

- What is "near future"? Alliance suggest that the Final Guidance Document include all parties that reprocess and if necessary, extend the deadlines for filing submissions by type of reprocessor. In this way, everyone will know on the front end what the "rules of the game" are at the beginning, and the Agency will ensure uniformity throughout the process.
- "intends to examine" – The issue should not be "who", but "if" one reprocess. To set the list of devices for hospitals and third-party reproducers today, and then perhaps a separate set of requirements for surgery centers, rehabilitation hospitals, physician offices, public health departments, home health agencies, contract management companies of central sterile departments, etc. will only lead to loopholes that the Agency will continually be trying to close. Alliance recommends that the Final Guidance Document cover "all locations where reprocessing takes place". FDA may elect to phase in the enforcement of the Guidance, but the policy will be consistent.

Page 4 – General Approach

FDA says, "It is important to note that many of the questions asked in the flowchart may require subjective responses. Despite the possibility of different interpretations, FDA has tried to make consistent categorizations across all SUD types."

- "may require subject responses" – Did Appendix 2 include or not include "subject responses"? If so, who? What input did FDA get?
- "possibility of different interpretation, FDA has tried . . ." – Did the current risk assessment in Appendix 2 include "subjective responses"? Is there a "possibility" that some of FDA's current risk assessments are wrong because of "different interpretations"? If so, what is the appeal process?

Comments:

Alliance believes that all parties would be better served by dropping the "Risk Scheme". In its place, the utilization of the existing Class I, Class II, and Class III device classification with

appropriate timeframes assigned would be a clearer approach. A close review of the Appendix B (or 2) shows that very few items would move in timing if this approach were adopted. In addition, should the Agency have specific devices for which they have concerns that the submissions need to come in more quickly, CDRH could publish that listing, along with the answers to Worksheets 1, 2, & 3 that support the reasoning for acceleration of the submission. Once available for public comment, the Agency could see any areas where disagreement on the FDA-assigned risk level exists.

In the AMDR Comments, the Agency will see numerous examples differences of opinion as to the proper classification of all the devices currently listed as "High".

Finally, there will be numerous new devices added to the listing during this comment period, and by adopting the above recommendation (Class I, II, II vs current proposal), all newly identified items will have an assigned timeframe for submission of data.

Page 4 – Flowchart 1: Evaluating the Risk of Infection (Appendix 1)

FDA says, "Flow chart 1 evaluates the risk of infection posed by reuse of a SUD following reprocessing."

Comments:

This statement fails to ask the question, "What type of reprocessing, and by whom?" Certainly, the "risk of infection" is higher if the reprocessing is done in a physician's office as opposed to the hospital or the third-party reprocessor. GI Biopsy Forceps reprocessed by a freestanding GI Lab (outside the hospital) will be far more risky that if it is reprocessed by a third -party reprocessor such as Alliance. Yet, physician-owned outpatient surgery centers and practices would be exempt under the current draft document.

Page 6 – Question 3: Does the SUD include features that could impede thorough cleaning and adequate sterilization/disinfection?

Comments:

This question begs for further clarification.

- Cleaned by whom?
- What is "impede"? Perhaps a more appropriate word would be "prohibit" or "prevent".
- How "narrow" is narrow?
- What is "readily accessed"?
- What method of cleaning? Manual, mechanical, and custom-built fixtures must be added to the equation.

But perhaps a bigger question in the view of Alliance is the fact that should a device "include features that could impede thorough cleaning and adequate sterilization/disinfection", one

would only know this fact by the use of a validated cleaning procedure. Perhaps a better question is:

"Does or can a cleaning process be identified that is repeatable with predictable results that will result in a SUD that is clean and ready for sterilization/disinfection?"

Page 6 – Question 4: Does a reusable device exist that has an equivalent design and the same intended use as the SUD?

Comments:

The term "same intended use" should be further defined. If CDRH were to ask the OEM, they would say NO to the question every time, because to them, the "intended use" of a SUD is for one use only. The intended use of a reusable is multiple uses. Alliance as always believed that the reprocessing of single-use medical devices makes the device functional for its intended clinical use for one more single-use.

Furthermore, FDA goes on to say, "In some circumstances, there will be cleared, approved, or exempt reusable devices, (including designs with problematic construction or materials features) that are equivalent to a SUD with the same intended use. In this case, the risk is diminished because it is evident that cleaning and sterilization / disinfection can be accomplished with the reprocessed SUD by using techniques directed by labeling for the reusable device. If the answer to question 4 is "Yes", then the risk of infection is low."

But this logic does not hold true when one looks at Appendix 2. For example the "non-electric biopsy forceps" (page 28) says under Exempt – "NO", which has previously been pointed out as an error. Second, the Risk Category is "high", when it is known that there is a reusable counterpart. So why is it not "low" per the above question?

SUGGESTION: CDRH should hold a one or two day working session to **collectively** (OEMs, third-party reprocessors, hospitals and FDA) look at each device for which FDA finds troublesome from the standpoint of setting the timeframes for submission of 510(k)/PMA data. As previously mentioned, Alliance does not believe that every device requires this intense evaluation.

Page 7 – Flowchart 2: Risk of Inadequate Performance (Appendix 1)

FDA says, "For a reusable device, the OEM validates that the device will perform without failure for the number of times it is labeled to be reused."

Comments:

Alliance respectfully disagrees with the Agency on this position. It implies that all devices have a predetermined "number of uses". Such is not the case. Does the labeling for a reusable Biopsy Forcep have any such language? Certainly, reusable saw blades have no such labeling. If there were a limit on "the number of times" a reusable device can be used, who is doing the counting? Is it the number of procedures for a reusable orthopedic instrument set? Is it the number of cuts for scissors? RPMs in a drill? Sterilization cycles?

Single-use devices also have the same "safety margin" designed into the item. The OEM will say that it would be impossible to answer the same set of questions for a single-use device, but in fact, the market place knows the answer. No device has a set number of uses. Alliance see daily, single-use devices that have only been used one time, that will not pass the functionality test. Yet in the same order from the same hospital will be the same model of the same device that has previously been reprocessed. The issue to focus on is "functionality", not number of uses.

Page 8 – Question 1: Does postmarket information suggest that using the reprocessed SUD may present an increased risk of injury when compared to the use of an SUD that has not been reprocessed?

In FDA's comments, the Agency says, "FDA believes that **existence** of significant adverse postmarket data is a compelling reason for concern and, therefore, would consider the device to be high risk."

Comments:

The mere existence of data has never been satisfactory to the Agency in determining the safety or effectiveness of a medical device. Rather, the agency has always required valid scientific data from adequate and well-controlled studies.

The Agency has said on numerous occasions that they do not have data that shows a major health issue. As recently as February 10, 2000, Dr. David Feigal testified before the House Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, at which time he said:

"Despite a lack of clear data that suggests that many injuries are occurring due to reprocessing practices,"

But then immediately, the Agency says, "FDA **does not** consider the **absence** of relevant information to be either evidence of increased risk or proof of safety."

Alliance feels that there is a great deal of inconsistency in this position. This again begs the question, "What is the need for a risk scheme that only sets timeframes for the submission of data?" As stated above, Alliance suggests that the current Class I, II, and III device categories simply be assigned timeframes. While Alliance strongly feels that the current timeframes outlined in the Enforcement Documents are too short, we believe that by narrowing the number of devices with which the Agency clearly have concerns over safety issues, a new, manageable timeline can be established for both the reprocessors and the Agency.

Page 8 – Question 2a: Are there recognized consensus performance standards, performance tests recommended by the OEM, or a CDRH guidance document that may be used to determine if the performance of the SUD has been altered due to reprocessing and use?

FDA says, "OEM-recommended performance tests (e.g., manufacturer-developed tests, standards that **are not recognized**) may also be applicable."

Comments:

Alliance requests that the language be changed to read "OEM and Third-Party Reprocessor-recommended. . . ." As responsible members of the medical device community, companies like Alliance, as well as organizations like AMDR, are willing to be partners in the development of standards.

The Agency has a history of such cooperative work, as evidenced by the recent successful resolution of the mutual concern of all stakeholders in the Remanufacturers, Rebuilders, and Servicers segment of device regulation.

Yet, as recently as the March 22, 2000 meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI), there was an example of a "special interest group" successfully preventing meaningful standards work from being accomplished. A proposal for a new project ("Cleaning of Used Medical Instruments), submitted by Victoria Hitchins, CDRH, and Steve Goldstine, Olympus America Inc. was debated within the AAMI Decontamination Working Group of the AAMI Sterilization Standards Committee. At issue was whether "single-use" devices should be part of this project, or should it be limited to reusable devices only. Speaking passionately against the inclusion of SUDs was Josephine Torrente from The Association of Disposable Device Manufacturers (ADDM). At the conclusion of the meeting, the Decontamination Working Group recommendation to the Sterilization Standards Committee was that SUDs be included. It is important to note that this recommendation had overwhelming support of FDA, Reprocessors (represented at this meeting by Alliance Medical Corporation and AMDR) Users, and Consultants to Users.

But when the recommendation was presented to the AAMI Sterilization Standards Committee for adoption the next morning, the OEMs were successful in having SUDs removed from the "Scope of Project" language.

Alliance believes that this most recent example by ADDM (who only represents three companies that manufacturer and market SUDs), along with their history of refusing to come to the table for meaningful discussions on the subject of reprocessing single-use devices, speaks volumes as to why the language "Third-Party Reprocessor" must be added. Alliance further respectfully requests that the Third-Party Reprocessor language be added not only here but, anywhere in the Guidance Document that the OEM is cited.

Pages 26 thru 30 – Appendix 2

Alliance commented extensively earlier in this document, and has enclosed as Exhibit "A" it's listing of devices that are currently being reprocessed or may/should be considered as possible candidates in the future. The CDRH Product Code data files were used to create this listing, and the Exhibit is available to the Agency in an Excel format, should they wish to use it for further review, sorting and comparison.

Enforcement Priorities for Single-Use Devices Reprocessed by Third Parties and Hospitals

Page 2 & 3 – Introductions FDA says, *"Under the proposed strategy, devices would still be classified as class I, II, III and still have premarket notification (510(k)) or premarket approval (PMA) requirements based on that classification."*

However at the end of the page, the Agency says, *"If any device designated by the companion Risk Scheme guidance as moderate or high risk is currently exempt from premarket requirements, FDA will propose to amend its classification regulations for those devices to require premarket submissions. This will be done on a product-by-product basis."*

Comments:

Alliance believes that the Agency has mixed two separate issues in these two comments. First, when the Agency says, "FDA will propose to amend its classification regulation . . .", does that mean changing the device from Class I to Class II? Under the Alliance proposed plan of eliminating the "risk scheme" on all devices, the Agency could publish its Worksheets 1, 2 & 3 (giving time for public comment), and then through a one or two day workshop address those devices, regardless of device classification, that a "reprocessor's submission [510(k) or PMA] would be required, and within what timeframe.

The problem with this language is that, by using the Spaulding classification approach, even the simplest Class I, exempt device might require premarket submissions. Another issue is, under what timetable for submissions would these devices that are yet to be identified fall? Until this question was answered, everyone would have to wait for FDA to do their "product-by-product" evaluation.

Page 4 & 5 – D. Why is FDA phasing in the enforcement of regulatory requirements for SUD reprocessors?

Comments:

Alliance believes that, given the fact that patient safety is of the up most concern to the Agency, the reprocessors (be they hospitals or third-party) and the OEMs, that the 6-12-18 month enforcement guideline is both unrealistic and unnecessary.

It is a recognized fact that the ability of the hospital to come into compliance with all the FDA requirements is, at best, a stretch for both the Agency (inspection, etc.) and the Hospital. By the Agency stating in the last sentence on page 5:

*"However, FDA would not enforce these requirements for **hospitals** until six (6) months from the issuance of the final guidance document",*

and the Agency's acknowledged lack of data to support a major health crisis, it is the opinion of Alliance that the timeframe for enforcement of the Final Guidance Document should be equal, regardless of who is the "reprocessor".

Alliance suggests that an additional six (6) months be added to all categories, and that both the third-party reproprocessors and hospitals, **as well as all entities (i.e. surgery centers, rehabilitation hospitals, physician offices, public health departments, home health agencies, contract management companies of central sterile departments, etc.)** be required to comply with the Final Guidance Document using the same guidelines.

Page 6 – Paragraph E, 1. Registration and Listing (Section 510 of the Act; 21 CFR Part 807): FDA says at the bottom of the page, "The initial list of all SUDs that an establishment reproprocesses must be reported on Form FD-2892 ("Medical Device Listing"). A separate Form FD 2892 must be submitted for each device or device class added to the existing list."

Comments:

Alliance believes that the language in this paragraph is very vague, as follows:

- What does the word "all" mean? All individual devices? All categories of devices?
- How are the words "each device" different from "device class". Note the word "or" in the sentence.

This language is not in keeping with the understanding and sample form that was originally agreed to by CDRH and AMDR. In fact, one AMDR company tried unsuccessfully to register the devices that they routinely reprocess, and had their entire submission returned as unacceptable.

SUGGESTION: FDA needs to submit language and a sample Listing Form so that any reproprocessor will know what information is required, and the Agency's staff will know if the form is complete. Not all the Boxes on Form FD-2892 ("Medical Device Listing") will have appropriate information available or relevant to a "reprocessor".

Alliance believes that the listing of devices should follow the Product Code / Regulation Number format, and not be for a single form for each OEM within any Product Code.

Page 9 – Paragraph 6 - Labeling (Section 502 of the Act; 21 CFR Part 801)

FDA says, "FDA has general labeling requirements regarding the name and place of manufacture and the inclusion of adequate directions for use."

Comments:

Alliance (and prior to Alliance, the three companies individually) has had our labeling reviewed by FDA in the course of normal facility inspections. Beginning at least as early as 1996, all labeling has included language that clearly sets forth the fact that the device has been reproprocessed, and by what facility. In addition, the OEM's name, city and state, part number, and product description have also been included.

Alliance respectfully disagrees with the Agency for need for "inclusion of adequate directions for use". The original purchaser of the device has successfully used the product the first time, and as such, should have the original instructions for use on file, or know from experience that

the instructions are not needed or used, even on the new, first-use of the device. To place any requirements on the reprocessor to include "adequate directions for use" would create possible Trademark and Copyright infringement issues. It should be noted that no such requirement exists for the second and future use of reusable instrumentation, because it is assumed that the "operator" of the device is familiar with the clinical intended use of the item.

SUGGESTION: Alliance believes that a more practical approach would be for the Reprocessor to include on their label, language reminding the device user to refer to the Instructions for Use originally supplied by the OEM with the device.

Page 10 – Paragraph 7(b) What do I have to demonstrate to get FDA clearance of a 510(k)?

FDA says, *"For a reprocessed SUD, the legally marketed device for comparison is generally the SUD of the original device manufacturer (OEM)."*

Comments:

This language would suggest that a 510(k) is required for **each individual device**. Alliance believes that a submission may be for a "class of devices" (i.e. stainless steel saw blades), or for a device with multiple OEMs.

SUGGESTED LANGUAGE: "For a reprocessed SUD, the legally marketed device for comparison *is the same device, and the intended clinical use will not have been changed due to reprocessing.*"

Pages 12 & 13 – Paragraph 7(f) What happens after a third party or hospital reprocessor submits a 510(k) submission or a PMA application that is administratively incomplete?

Comments:

First, FDA says, *"FDA initially will review your 510(k) submission or PMA application **to make a threshold determination as to whether it contains sufficient information to begin a substantive review.** If the submission or application **does not on its face, contain all the information required under 21 CFR 807.87 (for 510(k)s) or 21 CFR 814.2 (for PMAs), FDA will not review that application or submission any further and the file will be placed on hold.....**"*

Further in the same paragraph, FDA says, *"You may submit the additional information to complete the file, **but FDA does not intend to exercise the enforcement discretion described in this document for reprocessed SUDs that are not the subject of complete applications or submissions.***

Alliance believes that the current rules will not work well here for both the Agency and the reprocessor. Given the fact that the FDA reviewers will be experiencing something totally new and different in a reprocessor's submission, it is very likely that most submissions will be considered "incomplete" upon arrival at FDA. Alliance suggests that FDA include in your scheme, a timeframe in which the reprocessor can continue to submit data that the reviewer believes is required, and that during that timeframe, the use of FDA "enforcement discretion"

continues so long as the reprocessor makes a "good faith effort" to provide the reviewer with the missing information in a timely fashion. Without some type of rule that allows for continued interchange of information between the reprocessor and the reviewer and at the same time, provides the protection of FDA's enforcement discretion, reprocessing as we know it today will be dead upon arrival at FDA of the first 510(k) submission.

Also, if a submission arrives at FDA at the beginning of the timeframe assigned to the risk category (example: a submission is made in Month 1 or the 6 months assigned to high risk devices), and it is determined to not meet the "threshold" for completeness, does that mean that FDA will withdraw "enforcement discretion" at that time? Does another reprocessor who submits on day 15 of month 6 have a longer "free ride" under these guidelines? This is perhaps another reason to put all reproducers on the same timeframe as hospitals, since the likelihood of a "complete application or submission" from this segment of the industry is very unlikely.

Finally, Alliance suggests that if 510(k)/PMA submissions are filed within the timeframe outlined in the Final Guidance Document, FDA should not "take immediate enforcement action for failure to comply with premarket requirements upon determining a 510(k) submission or PMA application is administratively incomplete", as long as the reprocessor and the reviewer make good faith efforts to provide and request additional information.

Page 13 – Paragraph 7(g) Can I combine several different models and brands of the same type of device into one 510(k) submission or PMA application?"

Comments:

FDA says, "Premarket (510(k)) submissions and PMA applications are **device specific**; FDA requires a 510(k) or a PMA for each device."

But then in the same paragraph, FDA says, "FDA advises reproducers to examine **device groupings that original device manufacturers have developed as examples of appropriate device groupings.**"

Alliance is unclear as to the direction that FDA is trying to head. First, a reprocessor should be allowed to submit an application on a device from multiple manufacturers. It seems logical that as long as the materials are the same, and the reprocessor's processes are the same for the device type (regardless of the OEM), it would be appropriate to "group" the products in the same submission. The submission would include only those OEMs that appear in the CDRH Listing data for the appropriate Product Code.

Second, it is unclear to Alliance at this time where it will find the "device groupings that the original device manufacturers have developed"?

Page 13 – Paragraph 7(h) What if I need to conduct clinical studies as part of my 510(k) submission or PMA application?"

Comments:

FDA says, "Clinical studies of **significant** risk devices need prior FDA approval of an **investigational devices exemption (IDE)** application before the study may begin."

Alliance believes that no IDEs should be required for any device under consideration for reprocessing. If FDA has data that supports a different conclusion, the Agency should predetermine which devices are involved, and allow time for a debate on these specific devices.

Page 15 & 16 – Section F, Paragraph 1, Parts a thru c ENFORCEMENT DISCRETION PERIOD FOR PREMARKET REQUIREMENTS (Sections 513, and 515 of the Act; 21 CFR Parts 807 and 814)

Comments:

Alliance has made numerous comments throughout this document referring to the timeframe set out by FDA in this Draft. They will not be repeated here. There are some common questions that perhaps need to be considered in the Final Guidance Document.

- What is "**complete**"? Alliance suggests that this be changed to say that only a "filing" is required. A complete PMA (as we know it today for a new device) could never be put together and come in "administratively complete in 6 months.
- In 1a(3), is it realistic to believe that FDA can turn an application around and issue "an FDA order finding" or "an order approving a premarket approval application" within "six (6) months of the filing date"?
- There is no language in the draft document to address a "What do I do if there is no reply from FDA on a timely basis?" situation.

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FDA says, "FDA intends to reexamine low risk devices, however, to see if it is appropriate for FDA to promulgate **regulations** to exempt low risk devices that are reprocessed from any premarket requirements. These decisions will be made on a **case-by-case basis**."

Comments:

Alliance is unclear as to the meaning to this statement for the following reasons:

- Why "regulations" rather than another Guidance Document?
- This language sounds like Class I, exempt devices may not truly be "exempt" from "premarket requirements".

Pages 19 thru 22 – Appendix B: List of frequently reprocessed SUDs

Alliance Medical Corporation has included as Exhibit "A" a listing of devices (using the CDRH Product Code data) that it believes should included in any "final listing" of devices. It is not intended to be all inclusive of the industry, nor should it be. Other third-party reproprocessors in the industry believe that they have the technology to reprocess devices for which Alliance chooses not to offer a reprocessing service.

Alliance Medical Corporation appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on FDA's draft guidance documents. Should you have any questions regarding the information presented in this document, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

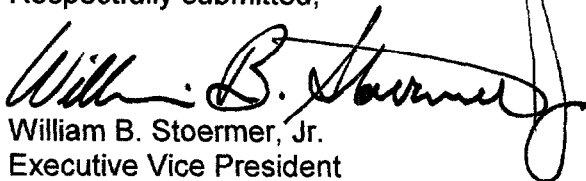

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EXHIBIT "A"

| ITEMS THAT ALLIANCE CURRENTLY REPORCESSES | | | | | | | |
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| Medical Speciality | Device Name | Class | 510k Exempt | Regulation Number | ProCode | Risk - FDA | Type of Premarket Submission |
| CV | CUFF, BLOOD-PRESSURE | 2 | N | 870.112 | DXQ | Low | 510(k) |
| CV | CATHETER, INTRAVASCULAR, DIAGNOSTIC | 2 | N | 870.12 | DQO | High | 510(k) |
| CV | CATHETER, STEERABLE | 2 | N | 870.128 | DRA | | |
| CV | SYSTEM, CATHETER CONTROL, STEERABLE | 2 | N | 870.129 | DXX | | |
| CV | WIRE, GUIDE, CATHETER | 2 | N | 870.133 | DQX | High | 510(k) |
| CV | TROCAR | 2 | N | 870.139 | DRC | High | |
| CV | CLAMP, VASCULAR | 2 | N | 870.445 | DXC | Moderate | 510(k) |
| CV | DEVICE, STABILIZER, HEART | 1 | N | 870.45 | MWS | | |
| CV | SLEEVE, LIMB, COMPRESSIBLE | 2 | N | 870.58 | JOW | Low | 510(k) |
| DE | BUR, DENTAL | 1 | Y | 872.324 | EJL | Moderate | N/A |
| DE | SAW, BONE, AC-POWERED | 2 | N | 872.412 | DZH | | |
| DE | DRILL, BONE, POWERED | 2 | N | 872.412 | DZI | | |
| DE | DRIVER, WIRE, AND BONE DRILL, MANUAL | 2 | N | 872.412 | DZJ | | |
| DE | DRILL, DENTAL, INTRAORAL | 1 | Y | 872.413 | DZA | | |
| EN | BUR | 1 | Y | 874.414 | EQJ | | |
| GU | SET, BIOPSY NEEDLE AND NEEDLE, GASTRO-UROLOGY | 2 | N | 876.1075 | FCG | High | 510(k) |
| GU | PUNCH, BIOPSY | 2 | N | 876.1075 | FCI | | |
| GU | FORCEPS, BIOPSY, NON-ELECTRIC | **1 | Y | 876.1075 | FCL | High | 510(k) |
| GU | INSTRUMENT, BIOPSY | 2 | N | 876.1075 | KNW | | |
| SU | LAPAROSCOPE, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 2 | N | 876.15 | GCJ | Low | |
| | | | | | | Moderate | 510(k) |
| GU | ENDOSCOPE, AC-POWERED AND ACCESSORIES | 2 | N | 876.15 | GCP | Low | |
| GU | ENDOSCOPE AND/OR ACCESSORIES | 2 | N | 876.15 | KOG | Moderate | 510(k) |
| OP | ENDOILLUMINATOR | 2 | N | 876.15 | MPA | Low/High | 510(k) |
| GU | ELECTRODE, ELECTROSURGICAL, ACTIVE, UROLOGICAL | 2 | N | 876.43 | FAS | Moderate | 510(k) |
| GU | SNARE, FLEXIBLE | 2 | N | 876.43 | FDI | | |
| GU | ELECTRODE, FLEXIBLE SUCTION COAGULATOR | 2 | N | 876.43 | FEH | Moderate | 510(k) |
| GU | FORCEPS, BIOPSY, ELECTRIC | 2 | N | 876.43 | KGE | High | 510(k) |
| GU | UNIT, ELECTROSURGICAL, ENDOSCOPIC (WITH OR WITHOUT ACCESSORIES) | 2 | N | 876.43 | KNS | Moderate | |
| GU | DISLODGER, STONE, BASKET, URETERAL, METAL | 2 | Y | 876.468 | FFL | High | 510(k) |
| GU | DISLODGER, STONE, FLEXIBLE | 2 | Y | 876.468 | FGO | | |
| GU | SNARE, NON-ELECTRICAL | 1 | Y | 876.473 | FGX | | |
| GU | HOLDER, NEEDLE | 1 | Y | 876.473 | FHQ | | |
| SU | UNIT, ELECTROSURGICAL AND COAGULATION, WITH ACCESSORIES | 2 | N | 878.44 | BWA | | |
| SU | ELECTROSURGICAL DEVICE | 2 | N | 878.44 | DWG | | |
| SU | DEVICE, ELECTROSURGICAL, CUTTING & COAGULATION & ACCESSORIES | 2 | N | 878.44 | GEI | | |

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| SU | APPARATUS, ELECTROSURGICAL | 2 | N | 878.44 | HAM | Moderate | 510(k) |
| SU | ELECTRODE, ELECTROSURGICAL | 2 | N | 878.44 | JOS | | |
| SU | KNIFE, SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | EMF | | |
| SU | CHISEL, SURGICAL, MANUAL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | FZO | | |
| SU | CURETTE, SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | FZS | | |
| SU | CUTTER, SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | FZT | | |
| SU | RASP, SURGICAL, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GAC | | |
| SU | RETRACTOR, SURGICAL, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GAD | | |
| SU | SNARE, SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GAE | | |
| SU | SPATULA, SURGICAL, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GAF | | |
| SU | HOOK, SURGICAL, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GDG | | |
| SU | GOUGE, SURGICAL, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GDH | | |
| SU | DISSECTOR, SURGICAL, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GDI | | |
| SU | CLAMP, SURGICAL, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GDJ | | |
| SU | SAW, MANUAL AND ACCESSORIES | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GDR | | |
| SU | HANDLE, SCALPEL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GDZ | Moderate | N/A |
| SU | BRUSH, BIOPSY, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GEE | | |
| SU | FORCEPS, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GEN | | |
| SU | RETRACTOR, MANUAL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GZW | | |
| SU | SAW, MANUAL, AND ACCESSORIES | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HAC | | |
| SU | SAW | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HSO | | |
| SU | FORCEPS | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HTD | | |
| SU | CURETTE | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HTF | | |
| SU | RASP | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HTR | | |
| SU | INSTRUMENT, CUTTING, ORTHOPEDIC | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HTZ | | |
| SU | OSTEOTOME | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HWM | | |
| SU | CLAMP | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HXD | | |
| SU | RETRACTOR | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HXM | | |
| SU | SPATULA, ORTHOPEDIC | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HXR | | |
| SU | CHISEL, MASTOID | 1 | Y | 878.48 | JYD | | |
| SU | INSTRUMENT, SURGICAL, DISPOSABLE | 1 | Y | 878.48 | KDC | | |
| SU | HOOK, BONE | 1 | Y | 878.48 | KIK | | |
| SU | SCISSORS, GENERAL USE, SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | LRW | Moderate | N/A |
| SU | INSTRUMENT, MANUAL, GENERAL SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | MDM | | |
| SU | INSTRUMENT, MANUAL, SURGICAL, GENERAL USE | 1 | Y | 878.48 | MDW | | |
| SU | BLADE, SAW, SURGICAL, CARDIOVASCULAR | 1 | Y | 878.482 | DWH | Low | N/A |
| SU | SAW, ELECTRICALLY POWERED | 1 | Y | 878.482 | DWI | | |
| SU | BLADE, SAW, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY, SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 878.482 | GFA | Low | N/A |
| SU | DERMATOME | 1 | Y | 878.482 | GFD | | |
| SU | BUR, SURGICAL, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.482 | GFF | Low | N/A |
| SU | BIT, SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 878.482 | GFG | | |
| SU | SAW, POWERED, AND ACCESSORIES | 1 | Y | 878.482 | HAB | | |
| SU | CHISEL (OSTEOTOME) | 1 | Y | 878.482 | KDG | | |
| SU | SAW, PNEUMATICALLY POWERED | 1 | Y | 878.482 | KFK | | |

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| SU | TOURNIQUET, NONPNEUMATIC | | 1 Y | 878.59 | GAX | | |
| SU | TOURNIQUET, PNEUMATIC | | 1 Y | 878.591 | KCY | | |
| NE | DRILLS, BURRS, TREPHINES & ACCESSORIES (MANUAL) | | 2 N | 882.43 | HBG | | |
| NE | DRILLS, BURRS, TREPHINES & ACCESSORIES (COMPOUND, POWERED) | | 2 N | 882.4305 | HBF | | |
| OB | DRILLS, BURRS, TREPHINES & ACCESSORIES (SIMPLE, POWERED) | | 2 N | 882.431 | HBE | | |
| OB | LAPAROSCOPE, GYNECOLOGIC (AND ACCESSORIES) | **2 | N | 884.172 | HET | Low/High | N/A, 510(k) |
| OB | ELECTROCAUTERY, ENDOSCOPIC AND ACCESSORIES | | 3 N | 884.41 | HIM | | |
| OB | ELECTROCAUTERY, GYNECOLOGIC (AND ACCESSORIES) | | 2 N | 884.412 | HGI | | |
| OB | COAGULATOR-CUTTER, ENDOSCOPIC, BIPOLAR (AND ACCESSORIES) | | 3 N | 884.415 | HIN | | |
| OB | COAGULATOR, LAPAROSCOPIC, UNIPOLAR (AND ACCESSORIES) | | 2 N | 884.416 | HFG | | |
| OB | COAGULATOR, HYSTEROSCOPIC (AND ACCESSORIES) | | 2 N | 884.416 | HFH | | |
| OB | COAGULATOR, CULDOSCPIC (AND ACCESSORIES) | | 2 N | 884.416 | HFI | | |
| OB | COAGULATOR-CUTTER, ENDOSCOPIC, UNIPOLAR (AND ACCESSORIES) | | 2 N | 884.416 | KNF | | |
| OP | FORCEPS, BIOPSY, GYNECOLOGICAL | | 1 Y | 884.453 | HFB | High | 510(k) |
| OP | KNIFE, OPHTHALMIC | | 1 Y | 886.435 | HNN | | |
| OP | KERATOME, WATER JET | | 1 N | 886.437 | MYD | High | 510(k) |
| OR | FLUIDIC, PHACOEMULSIFICATION/PHACOFRAGMENTATION | | 2 N | 886.467 | MUS | High | 510(k) |
| OR | SCISSORS | | 1 Y | 888.454 | HRR | | |
| OR | REAMER | | 1 Y | 888.454 | HTO | | |
| OR | KNIFE, ORTHOPEDIC | | 1 Y | 888.454 | HTS | | |
| OR | BURR | | 1 Y | 888.454 | HTT | | |
| OR | BIT, DRILL | | 1 Y | 888.454 | HTW | Low | N/A |
| OR | RONGEUR | | 1 Y | 888.454 | HTX | | |
| OR | TREPHINE | | 1 Y | 888.454 | HWK | | |
| OR | COUNTERSINK | | 1 Y | 888.454 | HWW | | |
| OR | TAP, BONE | | 1 Y | 888.454 | HWX | | |
| OR | HOLDER, NEEDLE; ORTHOPEDIC | | 1 Y | 888.454 | HXK | | |
| PM | CABLE, ELECTRODE | | 1 Y | 890.1175 | IKD | | |
| ITEMS THAT ALLIANCE IS CONSIDERING FOR REPROCESSING | | | | | | | |
| GU | DISLODGER, STONE, BILIARY | | Y | | LQR | | |
| AN | CIRCUIT, BREATHING (W CONNECTOR, ADAPTOR, Y PIECE) | | 1 Y | 868.524 | CAI | Moderate | N/A |
| AN | CATHETER, NASAL, OXYGEN | | 1 Y | 868.535 | BZB | Low | N/A |
| AN | MASK, GAS, ANESTHETIC | | 1 Y | 868.555 | BSJ | Low | N/A |
| AN | MOUTHPIECE, BREATHING | | 1 Y | 868.562 | BYP | Low | N/A |
| AN | FORCEPS, TUBE INTRODUCTION | | 1 Y | 868.578 | BWB | | |
| AN | CATHETERS, SUCTION, TRACHEOBRONCHIAL | | 1 Y | 868.681 | BSY | High | 510(k) |
| CV | CATHETER, CONTINUOUS FLUSH | | 2 N | 870.121 | KRA | | |
| CV | CATHETER, ELECTRODE RECORDING, OR PROBE, ELECTRODE RECORDING | | 2 N | 870.122 | DRF | High | 510(k) |
| CV | CATHETER, INTRACARDIAC MAPPING, HIGH-DENSITY ARRAY | | 2 N | 870.122 | MTD | | |
| CV | CATHETER, OXIMETER, FIBEROPTIC | | 2 N | 870.123 | DQE | | |
| CV | CATHETER, FLOW DIRECTED | | 2 N | 870.124 | DYG | | |

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| CV | CANNULA, CATHETER | 2 | N | 870.13 | DQR | | |
| NE | GUIDE, WIRE, CATHETER, NEUROVASCULATURE | 2 | N | 870.133 | MOF | | |
| CV | INTRODUCER, CATHETER | 2 | N | 870.134 | DYB | | |
| CV | OCCLUDER, CATHETER TIP | 2 | N | 870.137 | DQT | | |
| CV | STYLET, CATHETER | 2 | N | 870.138 | DRB | | |
| CV | INJECTOR AND SYRINGE, ANGIOGRAPHIC | 2 | N | 870.165 | DXT | High | 510(k) |
| CV | CABLE, TRANSDUCER AND ELECTRODE, PATIENT, (INCLUDING CONNECTOR) | 2 | N | 870.29 | DSA | | |
| CV | CLIP, VASCULAR | 2 | N | 870.325 | DSS | | |
| CV | CLIP, VENA-CAVA | 2 | N | 870.326 | DST | | |
| CV | TUBING, PUMP, CARDIOPULMONARY BYPASS | 2 | N | 870.439 | DWE | High | N/A |
| DE | CURETTE, OPERATIVE | 2 | N | 870.439 | DWE | High | N/A |
| DE | CURETTE, ENDODONTIC | 1 | Y | 872.4565 | EKE | | |
| DE | CURETTE, SURGICAL, DENTAL | 1 | Y | 872.4565 | EKT | | |
| DE | CHISEL, BONE, SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 872.4565 | EMK | | |
| DE | CHISEL, OSTEOTOME, SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 872.4565 | EML | | |
| DE | CURETTE, PERIODONTIC | 1 | Y | 872.4565 | EMM | | |
| DE | LIGHT, FIBER OPTIC, DENTAL | 1 | Y | 872.4565 | EMS | | |
| DE | LIGHT, OPERATING, DENTAL | 1 | Y | 872.462 | EAY | | |
| DE | LIGHT, SURGICAL HEADLIGHT | 1 | Y | 872.463 | EAZ | | |
| DE | EXTERNAL MANDIBULAR FIXATOR AND/OR DISTRATOR | 1 | Y | 872.463 | EBA | | |
| DE | BAND, MATERIAL, ORTHODONTIC | 2 | N | 872.476 | MQN | | |
| DE | WIRE, ORTHODONTIC | 1 | Y | 872.541 | DYO | | |
| DE | TUBE, ORTHODONTIC | 1 | Y | 872.541 | DZC | | |
| DE | BAND, ELASTIC, ORTHODONTIC | 1 | Y | 872.541 | DZD | | |
| DE | BAND, PREFORMED, ORTHODONTIC | 1 | Y | 872.541 | ECI | | |
| DE | CLAMP, WIRE, ORTHODONTIC | 1 | Y | 872.541 | ECM | | |
| DE | SPRING, ORTHODONTIC | 1 | Y | 872.541 | ECN | | |
| DE | BRACKET, METAL, ORTHODONTIC | 1 | Y | 872.541 | ECO | | |
| DE | BRACKET, PLASTIC, ORTHODONTIC | 1 | Y | 872.541 | EJF | High | N/A |
| EN | SET, FILLIFORM, EUSTACHIAN | 2 | N | 872.547 | DYW | High | 510(k) |
| EN | KNIFE, MYRINGOTOMY | 1 | Y | 874.4175 | KBY | | |
| EN | PERFORATOR, EAR-LOBE | 1 | Y | 874.442 | JYP | | |
| EN | RASP, EAR | 1 | Y | 874.442 | JYS | | |
| EN | SCISSORS, EAR | 1 | Y | 874.442 | JYY | | |
| EN | TROCAR, LARYNGEAL | 1 | Y | 874.442 | JZB | Moderate | N/A |
| EN | KNIFE, NASAL | 1 | Y | 874.442 | KAB | Moderate | N/A |
| EN | SCISSORS, NASAL | 1 | Y | 874.442 | KAS | Moderate | N/A |
| EN | TROCAR, SINUS | 1 | Y | 874.442 | KBD | Moderate | N/A |
| EN | KNIFE, TONSIL | 1 | Y | 874.442 | KBG | Moderate | N/A |
| EN | TROCAR, TRACHEAL | 1 | Y | 874.442 | KBQ | Moderate | N/A |
| EN | KNIFE, ENT | 1 | Y | 874.442 | KCI | Moderate | N/A |
| EN | TRACHEOTOME | 1 | Y | 874.442 | KTG | | |
| EN | LASER, MICROSURGICAL ARGON, FOR USES OTHER THAN OTOTOLOGY, INCLUDING LARYNGOLOGY | 1 | Y | 874.442 | LJW | | |
| EN | LASER, MICROSURGICAL ARGON, FOR USE IN OTOTOLOGY | 2 | N | 874.449 | LMS | Low | 510(k) |
| | | 2 | N | 874.449 | LXR | Low | 510(k) |

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| EN | LASER, ENT MICROSURGICAL CARBON-DIOXIDE | 2 | N | 874.45 | EWG | Low | 510(k) |
| EN | FORCEPS, BIOPSY, BRONCHOSCOPE (RIGID) | 2 | N | 874.468 | JEK | | |
| GU | BRUSH, CYTOLOGY, FOR ENDOSCOPE | 2 | N | 876.15 | FDX | | |
| GU | ILLUMINATOR, FIBEROPTIC, FOR ENDOSCOPE | 2 | N | 876.15 | FFS | | |
| GU | CORD, ELECTRIC, FOR ENDOSCOPE | 2 | N | 876.15 | FFZ | | |
| GU | ENDOSCOPE, DIRECT VISION | 2 | N | 876.15 | GCR | Low Moderate | 510(k) |
| CV | ANGIOSCOPE | 2 | N | 876.15 | LYK | | |
| GU | SNARE, RIGID SELF-OPENING | 2 | N | 876.43 | FDJ | | |
| GU | TROCAR, GASTRO-UROLOGY | 2 | N | 876.509 | FBQ | Low Moderate | 510(k) |
| GU | CATHETER, MALECOT | 2 | N | 876.509 | FEW | | |
| GU | CATHETER AND TUBE, SUPRAPUBIC | 2 | N | 876.509 | FEZ | | |
| GU | CATHETER, SUPRAPUBIC (AND ACCESSORIES) | 2 | N | 876.509 | KOB | | |
| GU | CATHETER, URETERAL, GASTRO-UROLOGY | 2 | N | 876.513 | EYB | | |
| GU | CATHETER, UPPER URINARY TRACT | 2 | N | 876.513 | EYC | | |
| GU | ADAPTOR, URETERAL CATHETER | 1 | Y | 876.513 | EYI | | |
| GU | HOLDER, URETERAL CATHETER | 1 | Y | 876.513 | EYJ | | |
| GU | CONNECTOR, URETERAL CATHETER | 1 | Y | 876.513 | EYK | | |
| GU | STYLET FOR CATHETER, GASTRO-UROLOGY | 1 | Y | 876.513 | EZB | | |
| GU | CATHETER, COUDE | 2 | N | 876.513 | EZC | | |
| GU | CATHETER, STRAIGHT | 2 | N | 876.513 | EZD | | |
| GU | CATHETER, DOUBLE LUMEN FEMALE URETHROGRAPHIC | 2 | N | 876.513 | FGH | | |
| GU | CATHETER, UROLOGICAL | 2 | N | 876.513 | KOD | Moderate | 510(k) |
| GU | FILIFORM AND FILIFORM FOLLOWER | 1 | Y | 876.552 | FBW | | |
| GU | CATHETER, HEMODIALYSIS, NON-IMPLANTED | 2 | N | 876.554 | MPB | | |
| GU | CATHETER, PERITONEAL DIALYSIS, SINGLE USE | 2 | N | 876.563 | FKO | | |
| SU | SPLINT, EXTREMITY, INFLATABLE, EXTERNAL | 1 | Y | 878.39 | FZF | Low | N/A |
| SU | SPLINT, EXTREMITY, NONINFLATABLE, EXTERNAL | 1 | Y | 878.391 | FYH | Low | N/A |
| SU | SCALPEL, ONE-PIECE | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GDX | Moderate | N/A |
| SU | FILE, SURGICAL, GENERAL & PLASTIC SURGERY | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GEO | | |
| A | BLADE, SCALPEL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | GFS | Moderate | N/A |
| SU | APPLIER, HEMOSTATIC CLIP | 1 | Y | 878.48 | HBT | Moderate | N/A |
| SU | CANNULA, SINUS | 1 | Y | 878.48 | KAM | | |
| SU | CHISEL, NASAL | 1 | Y | 878.48 | KAN | | |
| SU | KIT, SURGICAL INSTRUMENT, DISPOSABLE | 1 | Y | 878.48 | KDD | | |
| SU | LASER INSTRUMENT, SURGICAL, POWERED | 2 | N | 878.481 | GEX | Low | 510(k) |
| SU | MOTOR, SURGICAL INSTRUMENT, PNEUMATIC POWERED | 1 | Y | 878.482 | GET | Low | N/A |
| SU | MOTOR, SURGICAL INSTRUMENT, AC-POWERED | 1 | Y | 878.482 | GEY | Low | N/A |
| NE | ELECTRODE, NEEDLE | 2 | N | 882.135 | GXZ | | |
| NE | PROBE, RADIOFREQUENCY LESION | 2 | N | 882.4725 | GXI | | |
| OB | BRUSH, ENDOMETRIAL | 3 | N | 884.11 | HFE | | |

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| OB | CURETTE, SUCTION, ENDOMETRIAL (AND ACCESSORIES) | 2 | N | 884.1175 | HHK | | |
| OB | SCISSORS, UMBILICAL | 1 | Y | 884.452 | HDJ | Moderate | N/A, 510(k) |
| OB | SCISSORS, EPISIOTOMY | 1 | Y | 884.452 | HDK | Moderate | 510(k) |
| OB | CLAMP, UTERINE | 1 | Y | 884.452 | HGC | | |
| OB | CURETTE, UTERINE | 1 | Y | 884.453 | HCY | | |
| OB | CLAMP, UMBILICAL | 2 | N | 884.453 | HFW | | |
| OB | CLAMP, CIRCUMCISION | 2 | N | 884.453 | HFX | | |
| OB | LASER, SURGICAL, GYNECOLOGIC | 2 | N | 884.455 | HHR* | Low | N/A, 510(k) |
| OB | LASER, NEODYMIUM:YAG FOR GYNECOLOGIC USE | 2 | N | 884.455 | LLW | Low | 510(k) |
| OP | DEVICE, FIXATION, AC-POWERED, OPHTHALMIC | 1 | Y | 886.13 | HPL | | |
| OP | BURR, CORNEAL, BATTERY-POWERED | 1 | N | 886.407 | HOG | | |
| OP | BURR, CORNEAL, AC-POWERED | 1 | N | 886.407 | HQS | | |
| OP | ENGINE, TREPHINE, ACCESSORIES, BATTERY-POWERED | 1 | N | 886.407 | HRF | | |
| OP | ENGINE, TREPHINE, ACCESSORIES, AC-POWERED | 1 | N | 886.407 | HRG | Low | N/A |
| OP | UNIT, CAUTERY, THERMAL, AC-POWERED | 2 | N | 886.4115 | HQO | | |
| OP | UNIT, CAUTERY, THERMAL, BATTERY-POWERED | 2 | N | 886.4115 | HQP | | |
| OP | INSTRUMENT, VITREOUS ASPIRATION AND CUTTING, BATTERY-POWERED | 2 | N | 886.415 | HKP | | |
| OP | INSTRUMENT, VITREOUS ASPIRATION AND CUTTING, AC-POWERED | 2 | N | 886.415 | HQE | | |
| OP | SPATULA, OPHTHALMIC | 1 | Y | 886.435 | HND | | |
| OP | SNARE, ENUCLEATING | 1 | Y | 886.435 | HNE | | |
| OP | SCISSORS, OPHTHALMIC | 1 | Y | 886.435 | HNF | | |
| OP | HOOK, OPHTHALMIC | 1 | Y | 886.435 | HNQ | | |
| OP | FORCEPS, OPHTHALMIC | 1 | Y | 886.435 | HNR | | |
| OP | CURETTE, OPHTHALMIC | 1 | Y | 886.435 | HNZ | | |
| OP | CLAMP, MUSCLE, OPHTHALMIC | 1 | Y | 886.435 | HOB | | |
| OP | BURR, CORNEAL, MANUAL | 1 | Y | 886.435 | HOF | | |
| OP | TREPHINE, MANUAL, OPHTHALMIC | 1 | Y | 886.435 | HRH | | |
| OP | KERATOME, BATTERY-POWERED | 1 | N | 886.437 | HMY | High | 510(k) |
| OP | KERATOME, AC-POWERED | 1 | N | 886.437 | HNO | High | 510(k) |
| OP | PHOTOCOAGULATOR AND ACCESSORIES | 2 | N | 886.469 | HQB | Low | 510(k) |
| OR | STRIPPER, SURGICAL | 1 | Y | 888.454 | HRT | | |
| OR | FILE | 1 | Y | 888.454 | HTP | | |
| OR | BROACH | 1 | Y | 888.454 | HTQ | | |
| OR | PASSER, WIRE, ORTHOPEDIC | 1 | Y | 888.454 | HXI | | |
| PM | CABLE | 1 | Y | 890.342 | ISN | | |
| SU | INSTRUMENT, DISPOSAL, SURGICAL (SHARPS) | | N | | KDB | | |
| SU | INSTRUMENT, ULTRASONIC SURGICAL | | N | | LFL | | |
| CV | CATHETER, ANGIOPLASTY, PERIPHERAL, TRANSLUMINAL | | N | | LIT | High | 510(k) |
| NE | CATHETER, STEERABLE CEREBROVASCULAR | 3 | N | | LJA | | |
| NE | LASER, NEUROSURGICAL | 3 | N | | LKW | | |
| CV | LEGGING, COMPRESSION, NON-INFLATABLE | | N | | LLK | High | PMA |
| CV | CATHETERS, TRANSLUMINAL CORONARY ANGIOPLASTY, PERCUTANEOUS & OPERATIVE | 3 | N | | LOX | High | PMA |
| CV | DEVICE, ANGIOPLASTY, LASER, CORONARY | 3 | N | | LPC | | |

EXHIBIT "A"

| Medical Specialty | Device Name | Class | 510k Exempt | Regulation Number | ProCode | Risk - FDA | Type of Premarket Submission |
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| SU | PUNCH, SURGICAL | | N | | LRY | | |
| OR | ACCESSORIES, FIXATION, SPINAL INTERLAMINAL | | N | | LYP | | |
| OR | ACCESSORIES, FIXATION, SPINAL INTERVERTEBRAL BODY | | N | | LYQ | | |
| OR | FIXATION ACCESSORY | | N | | LYT | | |
| OB | CATHETERS, SALPINGOGRAPHY | | N | | MOV | | |
| OR | CAST,STOCKING,ANTI-MICROBIALS | | Y | | MTT | | |
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City ASHEVILLE State NC ZIP 28801

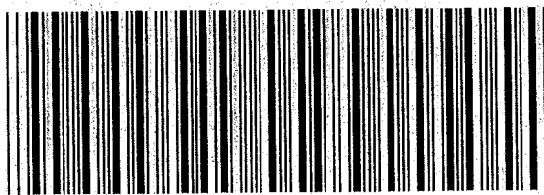
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HFA - 305

City 5630 FISHERS LANE, RM 1061

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4a Express Package Service Packages under 150 lbs.

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☐ **FedEx Standard Overnight** (Next business afternoon)
☐ **FedEx First Overnight** (Earliest next business morning delivery to select locations) (Higher rates apply)
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☐ **FedEx 2Day Freight** (Second business day)
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- 5 Packaging**
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- ☒
- FedEx Letter**
- 2
- ☐
- FedEx Pak**
- 3
- ☐
- FedEx Box**
- 4
- ☐
- FedEx Tube**
- 1
- ☐
- Other Pkg.**
-
- Declared value limit \$500.

6 Special Handling

- Does this shipment contain dangerous goods? ☐ No 4 ☐ Yes (Shopper's Declaration) ☐ Yes (Shopper's Declaration)
☐ **Dry Ice** (Dry Ice, 9, UN 1845) kg. CA ☐ **Cargo Aircraft Only**

*Dangerous Goods cannot be shipped in FedEx packaging.

- 7 Payment**
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- Bill to:
- ☒
- Sender**
- (Account No. in Section 1 will be billed) 2
- ☐
- Recipient**
- 3
- ☐
- Third Party**
- 4
- ☐
- Credit Card**
- 5
- ☐
- Cash/Check**
-
- (Enter FedEx Account No. or Credit Card No. below)

FedEx Account No. Exp. Date
Credit Card No.

Total Packages Total Weight Total Charges \$

*When declaring a value higher than \$100 per shipment, you pay an additional charge. See SERVICE CONDITIONS, DECLARED VALUE, AND LIMIT OF LIABILITY section for further information.

8 Release Signature

Your signature authorizes Federal Express to deliver this shipment without obtaining a signature and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Federal Express from any resulting claims.

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